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SUBJECT: SPC WORK PROGRAM IN MBFR

VIENNA FOR USEL MBFR

1. DURING NOVEMBER 19 SPC MEETING CHAIRMAN (KASTL) REPORTED ON PROPOSED SPC WORK PROGRAM ON MBFR DURING NEXT TWO WEEKS. ACTIVITY INVOLVES THREE ITEMS: SPC REPORT ON NEGOTIATED INSPECTION; SPC REPORT ON STABILIZING MEASURES; ROUTINE PROGRESS REPORT TO MINISTERS ON ALLIANCE WORK IN MBFR SINCE LAST JUNE. DETAILS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2. SPC REPORT ON NEGOTIATED INSPECTION-ES IS NOW FILLING OUT POLITICAL ELEMENTS OF ITS OUTLINE OF PAPER. IF MBFR WORKING GROUP CAN AGREE ON FORWARDING ITS TECHNICAL PAPER-PROBABLY UNDER COVER OF A CHAIRMAN'S REPORT- FOLLOWING DISCUSSION AT WG MEETING NOV 20, IS WILL INCORPORATE RELEVANT PORTIONS AS WELL. AIM IS FOR CIRCULATION OF A CONSOLIDATED IS DRAFT OF MONDAY, NOV 26.

3. SPC REPORT ON STABILIZING MEASURES-IS WILL CIRCULATE DRAFT OUTLINE OF REPORT TO DELEGATIONS ON WEDNESDAY, NOV 21. IT WILL THEN AIM TO FLESH OUT OUTLINE, WITH TARGET DATE OF CONFIDENTIAL

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THURSDAY, NOV 29 FOR CIRCULATION OF FIRST DRAFT REPORT. SPC ALSO HOPES TO HAVE MBFR WG TECHNICAL INPUT TO ITS PAPER. WE WOULD ANTICIPATE LATTER BEING MUCH MORE NARROWLY FOCUSED THAN WG CONTRIBUTION ON NEGOTIATED INSPECTION, AND WOULD AGAIN ENDORSE

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT APPROACH TO EXPEDITE IS DRAFTING EFFORT.

4. ROUTINE PROGRESS REPORT ON MBFR -IS WILL CIRCULATE THIS WEEK
THE DRAFT OF A SHORT ROUTINE PROGRESS REPORT TO MISISTERS ON ALLIANCE

WORK IN THE FIELD OF MBFR SINCE LAST JUNE. IS HOPES FOR APPROVAL
OF DRAFT BY SPC ON THURSDAY, NOV 29.

SPECIFIC ISSUES ON WHICH ALLIES DISAGREE WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY
SYG IN A SEPARATE PO DEVOTED TO UNRESOLVED ISSUES.
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